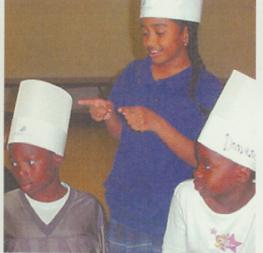


# COCCE NEWS

# COOKIES!!











The Cookie Baking Event was a learning and memorable experience for the young residents of the Scott and Carver Community. The staff from Johnson and Wales University really showed their stuff. They arrived in full force ready to get down to the dough, as you can see by the happy faces. Mmm mmm good, no problem here.

## HOPE VI Commerates Black History Month



Carey Hart, Actress, performing a monologue on Zora Neale Hurston.

Wednesday night, a program of readings and performance in honor of Black History Month at the development's Community Center on Northwest 22nd Avenue and 72nd Street.

About 50 people sat in metal folding chairs in the all-purpose room, decorated with posters and baloons. Crabrice, chicken

sandwiches, cookies and cakes and punch were set out.

A man on stage finished a talk in which he'd touched on Egyptian architect Imhotep and Herman Russel Branson, who invented an X-ray Intensity Measuring Device.

The children looked ready to burts. "What the Mind conceives, the mind achieves." he said, and everyone clapped.

Other readers included Mr. Joe Scafuti of Miami-Dade Housing Authority, Cheif J.D. Patterson of the Miami-Dade Police Department, Mrs. Sheryl Mizell of 99 Jamz, Mr. Kevin Hughes - activist, Ms. Carey Hart - actress, and Ms. Hiroshima Kindelan who at 25 years old just accomplished publishing her first book.

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Homeownership

"I'm a first-time homeowner and having our own home means a lot to us. There have been some changes, but we have our own privacy and I'm able to raise my kids where it is much safer for them. I also want to show them that they can improve themselves." Cynthia Mack (former Carver Homes resident who purchased a home last year).



Beautification

It's a good program to help the community, and I 'm glad that I was able to have my house painted because this is the home that I live in; the home I bought from my great-grandfather. It was important for me to keep it looking nice" - Ava Johnson-Garner (who had her home painted through the HOPE VI Beautification program)

#### HOPE VI Resident Focus Group Meeting Schedule

Resident Focus Group meetings are generally held each Thursday between 6 PM and 7 PM

For more info contact Lottie Hines 3 0 5 . 6 9 3 . 5 0 0 6

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HOPE VI Task Force Meeting Schedule

March 12, 2003 May 14, 2003 July 9, 2003 September 10, 2003 November 12, 2003

Task Force meetings are generally held on the 2nd Wednesday of each month from 12:30 PM to 2 PM

For more info contact 3 0 5 . 7 6 2 . 6 6 0 7

## Resident Outreach Activities

Scott & Carver Resident Job Fair

April 30th 2003

from 3 PM to 5 PM

at the James E. Scott Community

Center

Scott & Carver Youth Job Fair

May 28th 2003

from 3 PM to 5 PM

at the James E. Scott Community

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For more information call Lori Crawford at 305.762.6607

# Educational Opportunities



Instructor Eric Harris, Walgreens Pharmacy Tech Program, with George Solomon, student.

For more information on vocational opportunities at D.A. Dorsey Educational Center, call 305-693-2490. Residents of Scott Homes and Carver Homes are learning valuable vocational skills thanks to the Pharmacy Technician Program D.A. Dorsey Educational Center and Walgreen's, which provided the retail and customer service training center located at Dorsey. Over 30 students have graduated to date.

George Solomon, an eight-year resident of Scott Homes is one of many students currently enrolled in the program. Solomon will be graduating in March, but is already getting hands-on training as an intern at the Walgreen's at Northside Shopping Center. His future plans include taking the state exam in July, attending Miami-Dade Community College to continue his pharmacy training and eventually work in a hospital.

Eric Harris, a Dorsey instructor, is enthusiastic about the program: "It's gratifying to see students making such an effort to improve themselves through programs like this." The adult education program operates under the authority granted by the School Board of Miami-Dade County, through the Office of Applied Technology, Adult, Community, and Career Education. The school's mission is to provide a positive educational experience that will assist the student in the achievement of a chosen goal. A wide variety of programs are offered that emphasize both academic and vocational training.

#### George Solomon on schooling:

"It's great. My mother sees me as a role model for my younger brothers. I'm showing them that educational is important in improving yourself and getting out of public housing. Thanks to the program I'm helping to pay for classes and some bills."

#### George Solomon on HOPE VI:

"You have to take the best of the opportunities that's available for you. If you're not able to pay for school or books and someone offers you the money, take it and make a start from there."

## Meet Reggie Burton

Born in Chattanooga, Tennessee, Reginald F. Burton grew up in Miami during the "Hay Days" of Overtown, where he attended Booker T. Washington Junior / Senior High School. Reggie (as he is known to his friends) graduated from Booker T. with honors and was a "Silver Knight" winner in speech and Drama under the tutelage of the renowned Mr. Leroy Washington. Growing up in Overtown amidst the Mary Elizabeth Hotel, the Carver Hotel, The Sir John Night Club, The Island Club, The Famous Chief Restaurant, and many, many other businesses strongly influenced his entrepreneurial spirit. Mr. Burton claims that he received his PH.D. (his Pride, Hustle & Determination) before graduating high school.

Mr. Burton did undergraduate work at the University of Miami in Architectural Engineering. After spending four years in the U.S. Navy during the Vietnam War, Mr. Burton returned to Miami and attended Miami-Dade Community College with a degree in Banking & Finance and began a career in Mortgage Banking. He worked for many years with Washington Federal Savings & Loan Association, as a mortgage loan officer and appraiser and worked in various capacities with other financial institutions.

Mr. Burton left the banking industry to work in community development, where he worked with numerous Community Development Corporations (CDC's) as staff or on the Board of Directors, including Home & Housing of Dade, Neighborhood Housing Services, Tri-City Community Association, and New Washington Heights CDC.

In recent years Mr. Burton has developed a successful consulting business, providing services in both construction management and computer services. Mr. Burton has provided construction management on numerous projects including the construction of the New Birth Baptist Church, the expansion of the Church of the Open Door, the construction of the Haitian Evangelical Baptist Church, as well as many other residential and business ventures.

Mr. Burton is currently working with H.J. Russell & Company as the Construction Manager of the Scott & Carver Hope VI project. When questioned regarding the possible success of the project, Mr. Burton quoted Henry Ford who said "Whether you think you can or you think you can't – you're right" WE CAN!!!!



# Scott-Carver Winter Wonderland Festival December 20 12-5pm 20 12-



## Winter Wonderland

Santa made an early stop at the Scott & Carver Community Center on December 18th. This once annual event got stepped up a notch in 2002 thanks to efforts by H. J. Russell and the Pinnacle Housing Group. Roughly 1000 moms and dads, grand parents, and especially children turned out for the "Winter Wonderland." Santa was even on hand to deliver toys to a long waiting line. Fun and games were not is short supply: there was a bouncehouse, DJs, clowns, face painting, cotton candy, and more. Thanks to the Pinnacle Housing group donation of 50 bicycles, the highlight of the day was the bike raffle that residents were automatically entered in when they signed up for the Self-Sufficiency program. LEASA Industries did their part in giving back to the community by donating the hot dogs, chips and sodas that feed the joyous crowd. A special

special appearance was made by 99 JAMZ DJ's, turning the party up.



Thank you to the DHS & CSS staff & Volunteers

## Resident

## Resource Directory

#### **HOPE VI CONTACTS:**

Hope VI Program Manager Office D.A. Dorsey Educational Center 2207 NW 72 Street Miami, FL 33147 305.693.5006 / 305.693.9285 (fax)

#### National Housing Group

Relocation Office 7155 NW 22 Court Miami, FL 33147 305.693.0162 / 305.693.7322 (fax)

#### Miami-Dade Housing Group

3000 NW 32 Avenue Mlami, FL 33142 305.638.5757 / 305.638.6032 (fax)

#### Department of Human Services

Case Management 2500 NW 62 Street Miami, FL 33147 305.638.6353

#### HOPE VI EDUCATION:

7100 NW 17 Avenue Miami, FL 33147 305.693.2490 / 305.691.7492 (fax)

#### Lillie C. Evans Elementary School HEALTH

1895 NW 75 Street Miami, FL 33147 305.691.4973 / 305.691.4867 (fax)

#### Liberty City Elementary School

1855 NW 71 Street Miami, FL 33147 305.691.8532 / 305.693.7842 (fax)

#### Poinciana Elementary School

6745 NW 23 Avenue Miami, FL 33147 305.691.5640 / 305.696.8624

#### HOPE VI JOBS:

South Florida Workforce - North Side 7900 NW 27 Avenue, Suite 200 Miami, FL 33147 305.693.2060 / 305.693.2071 (fax)

Economic Opportunity Family Health Center (EOFHC)

700 South Royal Poinciana Boulevard Suite 401 Miami Springs, FL 33166

305.805.1700 / 305.805.1715 (fax)

#### Economic Opportunity Family Health Center (EOFHC)

7200 NW 22 Avenue Miami, FL 33147 305.835.8122 / 305.694.2083 (fax)

## Words From Larry Bursey

The Miami-Dade Department of Human Services (DHS) HOPE VI - Community Supportive Services (CSS) Case Management Unit strives to meet with both off-site and on site HOPE VI residents of Scott & Carver. Public housing resident participation is integral in this revitalization process. It is essential that HOPE VI residents recognize a need to develop a relationship with the CSS Case Managers.

Consequently, the CSS Case Management Unit pledges to provide HOPE VI residents of Scott & Carver with the highest level of professionalism in our efforts to tailor individualize Service Plans per family unit.

As we relocate our office into the HOPE VI Community, we look to eighteen our resident involvement and participation.

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